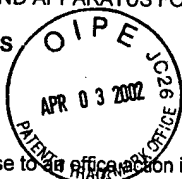


In re Application of: Gridley et al.  
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Transmitted herewith is a response to an official action in the subject application.

- ☐ Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- ☒ Applicants petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$920.00 (enclosed).
- ☐ Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.
- ☐ No additional claim fee is required.
- ☐ Other:

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

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- ☒ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$920.00. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
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